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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD **CHARGE AGAINST EMPLOYER**

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Case 01-CA-284741 Date Filed 10/18/2021

INSTRUCTIONS:

File an original with NLRB Regional Director for the region in which the alleged unfair labor practice occurred or is occurring.			
a. Name of Employer	GAINST WHOM CHARGE IS BROUGHT	b. Tel. No.	
Bates College		(207) 786-8388	
		c. Cell No.	
		f. Fax No.	
d. Address (Street, city, state, and ZIP code)	e. Employer Representative		
215 College St.	Hope Burnell	g. e-Mail	
ME Lewiston 04240	Vice President of Human Relations	hburnell@bates.edu	
		h. Number of workers employed 700	
Type of Establishment (factory, mine, wholesaler, etc.) Schools	j. Identify principal product or service Education		
k. The above-named employer has engaged in and is engaging i	n unfair labor practices within the meaning of secti	on 8(a), subsections (1) and (list	
subsections) 1	_	r Relations Act, and these unfair labor	
practices are practices affecting commerce within the meaning	g of the Act, or these unfair labor practices are unfa	· ·	
within the meaning of the Act and the Postal Reorganization A			
Basis of the Charge (set forth a clear and concise statement of the charge)	of the facts constituting the alleged unfair labor prac	ctices)	
See additional page			
3. Full name of party filing charge (if labor organization, give full	name, including local name and number)		
Angela MacWhinnie Title: Maine Service Employees Association, SEIU Local 1989			
4a. Address (Street and number, city, state, and ZIP code)		4b. Tel. No. (207) 504-3391	
65 State St.	4	4c. Cell No.	
ME Augusta 04330		4d. Fax No.	
	4	łe. e-Mail	
		angela.macwhinnie@mseaseiu.org	
5. Full name of national or international labor organization of which it is an affiliate or constituent unit (to be filled in when charge is filed by a labor organization)			
6. DECLARATION	Ι-	Tel. No.	
I declare that I have read the above charge and that the statements		(207) 844-4243	
By Title:		Office, if any, Cell No. (207) 844-4243	
	Print/type name and title or office, if any)	Fax No.	
9 Longmeadow Rd. Address Cumberland ME 04110	10/18/2021 05:04:18 PM (date)	e-Mail jyoung@solidarity.law	
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WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS CHARGE CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE AND IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001) PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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Basis of the Charge

8(a)(1)

Within the previous six-months, the Employer has interfered with, restrained, and coerced its employees in the exercise of rights protected by Section 7 of the Act by threatening to retaliate against employees if they joined or supported a union.

Name of Employer's Agent/Representative who made the statement	Approximate date
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	10/14/2021

8(a)(1)

Within the previous six-months, the Employer has interfered with, restrained, and coerced its employees in the exercise of rights protected by Section 7 of the Act by maintaining work rules that prohibit employees from discussing wages, hours, or other terms or conditions of employment.



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October 19, 2021

ANGELA MACWHINNIE MAINE SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, SEIU LOCAL 1989 65 STATE STREET AUGUSTA, ME 04330

> Re: BATES COLLEGE Case 01-CA-284741

Dear Ms. MacWhinnie:

REGION 1

The charge that you filed in this case on October 18, 2021 has been docketed as case number 01-CA-284741. This letter tells you how to contact the Board agent who will be investigating the charge, explains your right to be represented, discusses presenting your evidence, and provides a brief explanation of our procedures, including how to submit documents to the NLRB.

<u>Investigator</u>: This charge is being investigated by Field Examiner JARAD M. KRANTZ whose telephone number is (857) 317-7812. If this Board agent is not available, you may contact Assistant to the Regional Director JESSICA FOLEY whose telephone number is (857) 317-7786.

Right to Representation: You have the right to be represented by an attorney or other representative in any proceeding before us. If you choose to be represented, your representative must notify us in writing of this fact as soon as possible by completing Form NLRB-4701, Notice of Appearance. This form is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov, or from an NLRB office upon your request.

If you are contacted by someone about representing you in this case, please be assured that no organization or person seeking your business has any "inside knowledge" or favored relationship with the National Labor Relations Board. Their knowledge regarding this proceeding was only obtained through access to information that must be made available to any member of the public under the Freedom of Information Act.

<u>Presentation of Your Evidence</u>: As the party who filed the charge in this case, it is your responsibility to meet with the Board agent to provide a sworn affidavit, or provide other witnesses to provide sworn affidavits, and to provide relevant documents within your possession. Because we seek to resolve labor disputes promptly, you should be ready to promptly present your affidavit(s) and other evidence. If you have not yet scheduled a date and time for the Board agent to take your affidavit, please contact the Board agent to schedule the affidavit(s). If you fail to cooperate in promptly presenting your evidence, your charge may be dismissed without investigation.

<u>Preservation of all Potential Evidence:</u> Please be mindful of your obligation to preserve all relevant documents and electronically stored information (ESI) in this case, and to take all steps necessary to avoid the inadvertent loss of information in your possession, custody or control. Relevant information includes, but is not limited to, paper documents and all ESI (e.g. SMS text messages, electronic documents, emails, and any data created by proprietary software tools) related to the above-captioned case.

<u>Prohibition on Recording Affidavit Interviews:</u> It is the policy of the General Counsel to prohibit affiants from recording the interview conducted by Board agents when subscribing Agency affidavits. Such recordings may impede the Agency's ability to safeguard the confidentiality of the affidavit itself, protect the privacy of the affiant and potentially compromise the integrity of the Region's investigation.

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In addition, this Region will be issuing case-related correspondence and documents, including complaints, compliance specifications, dismissal letters, deferral letters, and withdrawal letters, electronically to the email address you provide. Please ensure that you receive important case-related correspondence, please ensure that the Board Agent assigned to your case has your preferred email address. These steps will ensure that you receive correspondence faster and at a significantly lower cost to the taxpayer. If there is some reason you are unable to receive correspondence via email, please contact the agent assigned to your case to discuss the circumstances that prevent you from using email.

Information about the Agency, the procedures we follow in unfair labor practice cases and our customer service standards is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov or from an NLRB office upon your request. NLRB Form 4541, Investigative Procedures offers information that is helpful to parties involved in an investigation of an unfair labor practice charge.

We can provide assistance for persons with limited English proficiency or disability. Please let us know if you or any of your witnesses would like such assistance.

Very truly yours,

LAURA A. SACKS Regional Director

LAS/rg

cc: JEFFREY YOUNG

SOLIDARITY LAW

9 LONGMEADOW ROAD CUMBERLAND, ME 04110



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HOPE BURNELL VICE PRESIDENT OF HUMAN RELATIONS BATES COLLEGE 215 COLLEGE STREET LEWISTON, ME 04240

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<u>Presentation of Your Evidence</u>: We seek prompt resolutions of labor disputes. Therefore, I urge you or your representative to submit a complete written account of the facts and a statement of your position with respect to the allegations set forth in the charge as soon as possible. If the Board agent later asks for more evidence, I strongly urge you or your representative to cooperate fully by promptly presenting all evidence relevant to the investigation. In this way, the case can be fully investigated more quickly.

Full and complete cooperation includes providing witnesses to give sworn affidavits to a Board agent, and providing all relevant documentary evidence requested by the Board agent. Sending us your written account of the facts and a statement of your position is not enough to be considered full and complete cooperation. A refusal to fully cooperate during the investigation might cause a case to be litigated unnecessarily.

In addition, either you or your representative must complete the enclosed Commerce Questionnaire to enable us to determine whether the NLRB has jurisdiction over this dispute. If you recently submitted this information in another case, or if you need assistance completing the form, please contact the Board agent.

We will not honor requests to limit our use of position statements or evidence. Specifically, any material you submit may be introduced as evidence at a hearing before an administrative law judge regardless of claims of confidentiality. However, certain evidence produced at a hearing may be protected from public disclosure by demonstrated claims of confidentiality.

Further, the Freedom of Information Act may require that we disclose position statements or evidence in closed cases upon request, unless an exemption applies, such as those protecting confidential financial information or personal privacy interests.

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Very truly yours,

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Enclosures:

- 1. Copy of Charge
- 2. Commerce Questionnaire

FORM NLRB-5081	NATIONAL LA	BOR RELATIONS BOARD)		
QUESTIONNAIRE ON COMMERCE INFORMATION					
Please read carefully, answer all applicable items, and return to the NLRB Office. If additional space is required, please add a page and identify item number. CASE NAME CASE NUMBER					
			01-C	A-284741	
1. EXACT LEGAL TITLE OF ENTITY (As filed w	ith State and/or st	ated in legal documents forn	ning entity)		
2. TYPE OF ENTITY					
[] CORPORATION [] LLC [] LLP []	PARTNERSHIP	[] SOLE PROPRIETOR:	SHIP [] OTHER (Spe	cify)	
3. IF A CORPORATION or LLC					
A. STATE OF INCORPORATION	B. NAME, ADD	RESS, AND RELATIONSHI	P (e.g. parent, subsidiary) C	F ALL RELATED EN	TITIES
OR FORMATION					
4. IF AN LLC OR ANY TYPE OF PARTNERSHIP	P. FULL NAME A	ND ADDRESS OF ALL ME	EMBERS OR PARTNERS		
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5. IF A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, FULL NAME	AND ADDRESS (OF PROPRIETOR			
6. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE NATURE OF YOU	R OPERATIONS	(Products handled or manufa	ctured, or nature of services	s performed).	
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8. NUMBER OF PEOPLE PRESENTLY EMPLOY					
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If less than \$50,000, indicate amount. \$		_			
D. Did you sell goods valued in excess of \$50,000 directly to customers located outside your State? If less than \$50,000, indicate					
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F. Did you purchase and receive goods valued in excess of \$50,000 from directly outside your State? If less than \$50,000, indicate amount. \$					
G. Did you purchase and receive goods valued in excess of \$50,000 from enterprises who received the goods directly from					
points outside your State? If less than \$50,000, indicate amount. \$					
H. Gross Revenues from all sales or performance of services (Check the largest amount)					
[] \$100,000 [] \$250,000 [] \$500,000 [] \$1,000,000 or more If less than \$100,000, indicate amount. I. Did you begin operations within the last 12 months? If yes, specify date:					
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10. ARE YOU A MEMBER OF AN ASSOCIATION			INGAGES IN COLLECT	IVE BARGAINING?	
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NAME AND TITLE (Type or Print)	SIGNATURE		E-MAIL ADDRESS	DATE	

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

BEFORE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

BATES COLLEGE	
Charged Party	
and	Case 01-CA-284741
MAINE SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, SEIU LOCAL 1989	
Charging Party	
AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE OF CHARGE AGAIN	ST EMPLOYER
I, the undersigned employee of the National Labor Rel October 19, 2021, I served the above-entitled documer following persons, addressed to them at the following	nt(s) by post-paid regular mail upon the
HOPE BURNELL VICE PRESIDENT OF HUMAN RELATIONS	
BATES COLLEGE 215 COLLEGE STREET	
LEWISTON, ME 04240	
October 19, 2021	Robert Gaffney, Designated Agent of NLRB

Date

Name

Signature

/S/ Robert Gaffney

BATES COLLEGE

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

MAINE SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, SEIU LOCAL 1989	CASE 01-CA-284741			
REGIONAL DIRECTOR EXECUTIVE SECRETARY NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD Washington, DC 20570	GENERAL COUNSEL NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD Washington, DC 20570			
THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ENTERS APPEARANCE AS REPRESENTAT	IVE OF			
IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED MATTER. Bates College and Maine Service Employees Association, SEIU	Lacel 1000			
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) BELOW: REPRESENTATIVE IS AN ATTORNEY	Local 1909			
IF REPRESENTATIVE IS AN ATTORNEY, IN ORDER TO ENSURE TO CERTAIN DOCUMENTS OR CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE AGENCY IN BOX MUST BE CHECKED. IF THIS BOX IS NOT CHECKED, THE PARTY VIDOCUMENTS SUCH AS CHARGES, PETITIONS AND FORMAL DOCUMENT CASEHANDLING MANUAL.	ADDITION TO THOSE DESCRIBED BELOW, THIS VILL RECEIVE ONLY COPIES OF CERTAIN			
(REPRESENTATIVE INFORM	AATION)			
NAME: James R. Erwin	3			
MAILING ADDRESS: Pierce Atwood LLP, 254 Commercial Street, Portland, ME 04101				
E-MAIL ADDRESS: jerwin@pierceatwood.com				
OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER: (207) 791-1237				
CELL PHONE NUMBER:				
SIGNATURE: (Please sign in ink.) DATE: (Please sign in ink.)				

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NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

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GENERAL COUNSEL NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD Washington, DC 20570			
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NAME: Daniel R. Strader MAILING ADDRESS: Pierce Atwood LLP, 254 Commercial Street, Portland, ME 04101			
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